

JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS

Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. President, on February 15th, I was pleased to join Senator THURMOND in introducing a bill that would remove current restrictions preventing the expansion of the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps, JROTC. This bill would also address the shortage of JROTC instructors by expanding the qualifying criteria to National Guard and Reserve Officers. There is nearly unanimous agreement that JROTC is turning today's children into tomorrow's leaders. Additionally, high school performance measures consistently indicate that JROTC cadets attend class more frequently, are responsible for fewer disciplinary infractions, and are more likely to graduate. JROTC's blend of local, State, and Federal involvement has also been a model for good government, and it has sponsored teamwork not just in its cadets but also in the agencies responsible for the program. As many members know, I have long been a supporter of the JROTC program, having secured \$27 million in supplemental appropriation for JROTC in 1999. By removing the current limitations on its expansion, we are enabling more students to participate in what has proven to be an exemplary program. The legislation would remove the congressionally-mandated ceiling of 3,500 JROTC units. It would also allow the Marine Corps to continue to expand their program which had previously been capped at 210 units. All together the Army, Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps have more than 2,700 school units totaling over 425,000 cadets, with hundreds of schools nationwide on waiting lists for a JROTC program. JROTC has carried bipartisan support since Congress established it in 1926.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

NAVAL RESERVE'S 86TH BIRTHDAY

Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, on March 3rd we honor the 86th birthday of the United States Naval Reserve. Since 1915 the Naval Reserve has exemplified the highest virtues of loyalty, service, and sacrifice. They have served and fought alongside their active duty comrades from the Atlantic to the far reaches of the Pacific, to the jungles of Vietnam and across the vast expanse of the Arabian desert as a battle-tested and skilled force that is the envy of the world.

Back in 1915, no one could have imagined the role that fledgling naval reserve would play in supporting the Navy today. The term "Weekend Warrior" no longer applies to these citizen-soldiers. As a trained, professional and well-equipped cadre of dedicated men and women, they are a key component of everything the Navy does, both in

peacetime and in war. Many of them have made the ultimate sacrifice in the cause of freedom and we honor their memory.

They serve on ships, in squadrons, on staffs, and in hospitals performing a myriad of tasks essential to mission accomplishment. Seamlessly integrated alongside their active-duty shipmates you cannot tell the difference between them. This is the reality of today's total force and what enables our marvelous military to remain engaged around the world.

They have a proud heritage and a bright future. In the spirit of the Minutemen of Lexington and Concord these great Americans stand ready to answer their Nation's call at any time, and the world is a better place because of the sacrifice they and their families make.

In my hometown of New Orleans, we are fortunate enough to be rich in Naval history and tradition. We are the proud home of the Naval Reserve Headquarters where Rear Admiral John Totushek commands more than 88,000 reservists across the United States and around the world.

As we set out in this new century, the importance of the Naval Reserve has never been more clear. Tomorrow, as today and for generations past, the razor sharp readiness of the United States Navy serves as a beacon to America's friends and a warning to our enemies, promising swift action, great victories and richer traditions yet to come.

On this day, I offer warmest regards to all members of the Naval Reserve, and to the families who also serve by supporting them. You represent all that is wonderful about our Nation.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO LEON KENISON UPON HIS RETIREMENT

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Leon Kenison, an exemplary public official who dedicated himself to serving the people of New Hampshire for almost four decades. As Commissioner of the Department of Transportation since 1996, he has brought to the office the professional skills and knowledge of the politics and practice of road building so vital to an agency that touches the lives of every person who lives in or visits the Granite State.

Leon began his career with the Department of Transportation in 1963, a week before graduating from the University of New Hampshire. He is widely respected for his transportation expertise at state, regional and national levels, and has chaired several key committees for the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials. During his tenure with the DOT,

Leon approached his work with a can-do attitude, and balanced what needs to be done with what can be done.

Throughout his career, Leon accomplished a great deal for transportation in New Hampshire. The people of this state look upon him with tremendous gratitude and admiration for all that he has done. I have often sought Leon's support and expertise on transportation issues. We worked closely together to make sure that New Hampshire's needs were met in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. Under his leadership, the DOT not only secured funding to complete major highway projects including Route 101 and I-93, but also placed more emphasis on environmental protection, car pools, express bus, rail and other new programs.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve Leon Kenison in the U.S. Senate and I wish him and his family godspeed in his retirement and in all of their future endeavors. •

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-681. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weighted Average Interest Rate Update" (Notice 2001-15) received on February 13, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-682. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure of Return Information to the Bureau of the Census" ((RIN1545-AY51)(TD8943)) received on February 13, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-683. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "CPI Adjustment for Below-market Loans for 2001; Correction" (Ann. 2001-19) received on February 13, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-684. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue

Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Purchase Price Allocations in Deemed and Actual Asset Acquisitions" ((RIN1545-AY73)(TD8940)) received on February 13, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-685. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Payee Statements" ((RIN1545-AY00) received on February 13, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-686. A communication from the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Administration of the Government in the Sunshine Act for Calendar Year 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-687. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual Monetary Policy Report for the period from July 2000 through February 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-688. A communication from Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Further Revisions to the Clean Water Act Regulatory Definition of 'Discharge of Dredged Material': Delay of Effective Date" (FRL6945-3) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-689. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lead and Lead Compounds; Lowering of Reporting Thresholds; Community Right-to-Know Toxic Chemical Release Reporting; Delay of Effective Date" (FRL6722-10) received on February 13, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-690. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report concerning internal accounting and financial controls for Fiscal Year 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-691. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Class E Airspace; Albia, IA; docket no. 00-ACE-33" ((RIN2120-AA66)(2001-0049)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-692. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Cape Lisburne, AK; docket no. 00-AAL-11" ((RIN2120-AA66)(2001-0035)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-693. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Visas: Aliens Ineligible to Transit Without Visas (TWOV)" (RIN1400-AA48) received on February 13, 2001; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-694. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Division of Transportation, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Distribution of Fiscal Year 2001 In-

dian Reservation Roads Funds" (RIN1076-AE09) received on February 16, 2001; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-695. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Major Capital Investment Projects; Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN2132-AA63)(2001-0001)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-696. A communication from the Regulations Officer of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Intelligent Transportation System Architecture Standards; Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN2125-AE65)(2001-0001)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-697. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Credit by Brokers and Dealers (Regulation T); List of Foreign Margin Stocks" received on February 20, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-698. A communication from the Acting Administrator of Transportation and Marketing, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Organic Program" (RIN0581-AA40) received on February 21, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-699. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator of Policy and Program Development, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Specifically Approved States Authorized to Receive Mares and Stallions Imported from Regions where CEM Exists" (Docket No. 00-115-3) received on February 21, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-700. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Ranger Activities Division Regulations Program, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations; Areas of the National Park System; Winter Use in Yellowstone National Park, Grand Teton National Park, and Rockefeller Parkway" (RIN1024-AC82) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-701. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Land and Minerals Management, Economics Division, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing" (RIN1010-AC69) received on February 21, 2001; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-702. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Duty-Free Treatment for Certain Beverages Made with Caribbean Rum" (RIN1515-AC78) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-703. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deductibility of ESOP Redemption

Proceeds" (Revenue Rule 2001-6) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-704. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Intermediary Transactions Tax Shelter" (Notice 2001-16, 2001-9) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-705. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Contingent Liability Tax Shelter" (Notice 2001-17, 2001-9) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-706. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Retroactive Adoption of an Accident and Health Plan" (UIL105.06-05) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-707. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Revenue Procedure 99-18 (Debt Substitutions)" (Rev. Proc. 2001-21, 2001-9) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-708. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Section 472 Regarding the Dollar-Value LIFO Inventory Method—Used Cars" (Rev. Proc. 2001-23) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-709. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Employee Plans Correction Procedures in Revenue Procedure 2000-16" (Rev. Proc. 2001-17) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-710. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of Employment Taxes to Statutory Options" (Notice 2001-14) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-711. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates—February 2001" (Rev. Rule 2001-7) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-712. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Earnings and Profits Adjustments on Exercise of Option" (Rev. Rule 2001-1, 2001-9) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-713. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Revenue Rule 2001-4" (Notice 2001-23) received on February 21, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-714. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue

Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repeal of Installment Sale Restriction for Accrual Taxpayers" (Notice 2001-22) received on February 21, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-715. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Section 13.02 of the Appendix to Revenue Procedure 99-49" (Rev. Proc. 2001-25, 2001-12) received on February 21, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-716. A communication from the Acting Vice President of Government Affairs, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, Amtrak's Annual Report, Legislative Report, and Grant Request for Fiscal Year 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-717. A communication from the Trial Attorney of the Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Track Safety Standards Amendment to Address Gage Restraint Measurement Systems: Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN2130-AB32)(2001-0002)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-718. A communication from the Deputy Chief Counsel of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Office of Pipeline Safety, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pipeline Safety: Pipeline Integrity Management in High Consequence Areas (Hazardous Liquid Operators with 500 or more miles of pipelines): Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN2137-AD45)(2001-0002)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-719. A communication from the Deputy Chief Counsel of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Office of Pipeline Safety, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Areas Unusually Sensitive to Environmental Damage: Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN2137-AC34)(2001-0002)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-720. A communication from the Regulations Officer of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations: Definition of Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) Requirements for Operators of Small Passenger-Carrying CMV's" (RIN2126-AA51) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-721. A communication from the Attorney of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electric Vehicle Safety: Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN2127-AF43)(2001-0001)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-722. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regattas and Marine Parades (CGD 95-054): Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN2115-

AF17)(2001-0002)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-723. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to Federal Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) Standards for Recreational Vessel Operators (USCA-1998-4593): Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN2115-AF72)(2001-0002)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-724. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Harlem River, NY (CGD01-01-008)" ((RIN2115-AE47)(2001-0013)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-725. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Sanibel Causeway Bridge (CGD07-01-005)" ((RIN2115-AE47)(2001-0012)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-726. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Chelsea River, MA (CGD01-01-013)" ((RIN2115-AE47)(2001-0011)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-727. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Brorein Street Bridge, across the Hillsborough River, Tampa, FL (CGD07-01-009)" ((RIN2115-AE47)(2001-0010)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-728. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Sacramento River, CA (CGD11-01-001)" ((RIN2115-AE47)(2001-0015)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-729. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Hillsborough River, Tampa, FL (CGD07-01-003)" ((RIN2115-AE47)(2001-0014)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-730. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to Federal Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) Standard for Recreational Vessel Operators (USCG-1998-4593)"

((RIN2115-AF72)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-731. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Elizabeth River, Eastern Branch, Norfolk, Virginia (CGD05-98-090)" ((RIN2115-AE47)(2001-0009)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-732. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations; Wrangell Narrows, Petersburg, AK (COTP Southeast Alaska 01-001)" ((RIN2115-AA97)(2001-0002)) received on February 12, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. LOTT, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. BURNS, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. HUTCHINSON):

S. 388. A bill to protect the energy and security of the United States and decrease America's dependency on foreign oil sources to 50% by the year 2011 by enhancing the use of renewable energy resources conserving energy resources, improving energy efficiencies, and increasing domestic energy supplies; improve environmental quality by reducing emissions of air pollutants and greenhouse gases; mitigate the effect of increases in energy prices on the American consumer, including the poor and the elderly; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. LOTT, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. BURNS, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. HUTCHINSON):

S. 389. A bill to protect the energy and security of the United States and decrease America's dependency on foreign oil sources to 50% by the year 2011 by enhancing the use of renewable energy resources conserving energy resources, improving energy efficiencies, and increasing domestic energy supplies; improve environmental quality by reducing emissions of air pollutants and greenhouse gases; mitigate the effect of increases in energy prices on the American consumer, including the poor and the elderly; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. INOUE:

S. 390. A bill for the relief of Jim K. Yoshida; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 391. A bill to establish the Steel Industry National Historic Park in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.